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To: All Holders of Licences/Permits/Certificates of Compliance or Responsible Persons

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Prevention of the Spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 –  
Phased Resumption of Public Services**

The Office of the Licensing Authority has previously written to provide you with relevant information of the novel coronavirus disease, relevant health advice and necessary precautionary measures. Apart from the statutory requirements under Regulations made pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance (Cap. 599) (hereafter referred to as “Cap. 599 Regulations”) announced separately, we have appealed for your support to step up health protection measures and to maintain social distancing at your premises, such as adjusting the opening hours and seating capacity, or temporary closure of facilities so as to reduce the risk of infection caused by gathering of patrons.

As the epidemic situation has stabilised since earlier this month with only single digit cases reported over the past two weeks, the Government will resume public services under a phased approach. The phased resumption of public services includes some leisure venues such as public libraries, museums, outdoor leisure facilities, etc. Regarding similar facilities available at your premises which are not subject to the Cap. 599 Regulations, you may wish to draw reference to the Government practice and consider reopening them in the coming week starting from 4 May 2020, subject to the adoption of the necessary health precautionary and social distancing measures. Please see the details of the Government facilities to be reopened in the following link: [www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202004/28/P2020042800479.htm](http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202004/28/P2020042800479.htm)

For clarity, please be reminded that the relevant directions imposed by the Secretary for Food and Health under the Cap. 599 Regulations are still in force until 7 May 2020. Please refer to our previous update on 21 April 2020 at “What’s New” on our website ([www.hadla.gov.hk](http://www.hadla.gov.hk)).

Since the epidemic situation could still fluctuate, special arrangements may have to be re-introduced at short notice. Please continue to pay attention to further updates available on the website of the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)  
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